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Jocelyn G. Boyd, Esquire Chief Clerk & Administrator Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100 Columbia, South Carolina 29210

RE:

Joint Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and Duke Energy Progress,

LLC to Establish Green Source Advantage Programs and Riders GSA

Docket No. 2018-320-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

By this letter, the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") hereby notifies the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") that ORS has reviewed the Application submitted by Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and Duke Energy Progress, LLC (together the "Companies") in the above referenced Docket on October 10, 2018. The Companies seek approval from the Commission of their South Carolina Green Source Advantage ("GSA") Programs and respective GSA Riders, authorizing cost recovery of each GSA Program's renewable capacity and energy delivered to the Companies as part of the Public Utilities Policies Act of 1978 ("PURPA") purchased power costs, and to effectuate the GSA Programs without notice or hearing.

ORS also reviewed and supports the Petitions to Intervene submitted by the South Carolina Coastal Conservation League and Southern Alliance for Clean Energy on October 17, 2018, the South Carolina Solar Business Alliance, Inc. on October 18, 2018, and Walmart, Inc. on October 26, 2018. In addition, ORS believes the Application merits more time for thorough review and analysis. Therefore, ORS respectfully requests the Commission allow all interested parties until November 30, 2018 to provide comments in this Docket.

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Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments in this matter.

Sincerely,

Andrew M. Bateman

cc: All Parties of Record (via E-mail)
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